

Role of the Psychology Examining Board

The Psychology Examining Board is authorized by law to protect Wisconsin citizens through the regulation and licensure of Psychologists and Private School Psychologists. The Board accomplishes this mandate through a variety of activities in collaboration with the Department of Safety and Professional Services (formerly known as the Department of Regulation and Licensing).

Board duties:

- Establish educational, experience and examination requirements for licensure.
- Monitor the continued competency of licensees through enforcement of professional conduct pursuant to Psy 5, Wis. Admin. Code.
 - Assess, investigate and discipline in response to complaints of unprofessional conduct. Board members serve as case advisors.
 - Render the final decision in stipulated disciplinary matters and after formal administrative hearings.
- Establish continuing education requirements for license renewal and monitor compliance through random audits and enforcement actions.
- Promulgate administrative rules and procedures that promote the professional conduct of licensees.
- Publish scope of practice FAQs, position papers and other information for licensees and the public on the DSPS Psychology webpage.

Outside the Purview of the Board:

- Questions relating to the structure and operation of public or private psychology practices, including business formation, billing, or insurance matters.
- Questions relating to research, analysis or information needed to complete educational courses or professional degrees. This includes questions from students or faculty regarding course assignments, dissertations or supervised practice prior to internship or post doc experience.
- Questions relating to patient/client care, treatment, or professional ethics.
- Questions relating to pending disciplinary complaints, malpractice litigation, or legal advice.
- Questions relating to employee-employer relationships.